



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Markus Pompejus, *et al.*

Serial No.: 09/604,693

Filed: June 27, 2000

For: *Corynebacterium Glutamicum Genes Encoding Proteins Involved in DNA Replication, Protein Synthesis, and Pathogenesis*

Attorney Docket No.: BGI-130CP

Group Art Unit: 1652

Examiner: Hutson, R. G.

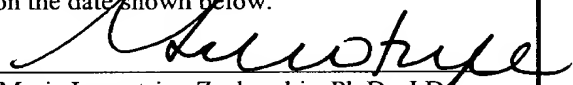
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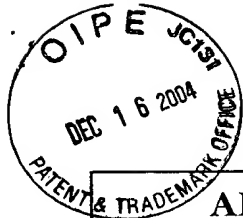
AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Final Office Action dated June 16, 2004 (Paper No. 612004). A separate Notice of Appeal and petition for the appropriate extension of time in which to respond are being filed concurrently herewith.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper



AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER			Docket No. BGI-130CP
Application No. 09/604693-Conf. #4996	Filing Date June 27, 2000	Examiner R. G. Hutson	Art Unit 1652

Applicant(s): Markus POMPEJUS *et al.*

Invention: CORYNEBACTERIUM GLUTAMICUM GENES ENCODING PROTEINS INVOLVED IN DNA REPLICATION, PROTEIN SYNTHESIS, AND PATHOGENESIS

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

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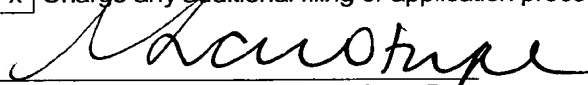
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